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## THE TWENTY-EIGHTH GENERAL MEETING OF THE AMERICAN CHEMICAL SOCIETY.

THE twenty-eighth general meeting of the American Chemical Society was held in Cleveland on June 29 and 30. At the opening session, held in the rooms of the Associated Technical Clubs, Professor Edward W. Morley gave a brief address of welcome in behalf of the Cleveland Chemical Society.

In his reply the president, Professor John H. Long, paid a well-merited tribute to the work of two Cleveland men, Professors Morley and Mabery.

In the afternoon following the first session the members of the society were taken on a most entertaining drive through one of Cleveland's chief industrial centers, where the iron furnaces, the works of the Grasselli Chemical Company and the Standard Oil Company, the ship yards and many minor concerns could be seen to good advantage.

In the evening, the visitors were again the guests of the local society at an informal smoker at the rooms of the University Club. By invitation of the officers of the society, Dr. Gomberg presented a discussion of the subject of trivalent carbon. In a very lucid and interesting talk, he outlined the way in which he was led to the discovery of triphenylmethyl, and the series of proofs by which its structure